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**ORLANDO BAIL BONDSMAN ARRESTED FOR
IMPERSONATING UNITED STATES MARSHAL**

Orlando, Florida -- Today, WILLIAM HENRY THOMPSON II, age 48, a Florida bail bondsman, was arrested on Federal charges that he impersonated a United States Marshal on three occasions, beginning in September of 2000, while apprehending individuals in Orange County, Florida.

THOMPSON was arraigned before U.S. Magistrate Judge David A. Baker, who released THOMPSON on a \$25,000.00 bond. Trial is set for November 1, 2001.

This case was investigated by the United States Marshals Service and members of the Orange County Sheriff's Department. The case will be prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Greg Miller of the Orlando Division of the United States Attorney's Office.

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